

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Wataru YAMADA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1756

Application No.:

10/648,273

Examiner:

J. GOODROW

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For:

ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC PHOTORECEPTOR, PROCESS CARTRIDGE AND

IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the September 26, 2005 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection and objections is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks. Claims 1-13 are pending in this application.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-13 under the judicially created doctrine of doublepatenting over claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,933,088; claims 1-13 under the judicially created doctrine of double-patenting over claims 13-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,372,398 and claims 1-9 and 11-13 under the judicially created doctrine of double-patenting over claims 7 and 9 of U.S. Patent No. 6,352,809. A Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith to obviate the double-patenting rejections. Accordingly, withdrawal of objections to the claims under the judicially created doctrine of double-patenting is respectfully requested.

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In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-13 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Terminal Disclaimer

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